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Interstate 5 Traffic Rerouted Over Sacramento River

REDDING – With the second phase of a scheduled three-year construction project to replace the Sacramento River Bridges nearing completion, northbound traffic on Interstate 5 will be rerouted Wednesday, March 19 beginning at 8:00 PM, weather permitting. The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will redirect northbound motorists over the newly completed northbound portion of the \$16 million structure north of Anderson. Southbound traffic will then be re-routed to the median portion, which was completed in phase one of the project in February of 2002.

The movement of the traffic will allow workers from Shasta Constructors to begin to dismantle the existing southbound structure in preparation of the construction of the third phase of the future single structure over the Sacramento River. The southbound traffic control is expected to be in effect for the next year, while the third and final phase is completed.

New lane striping will be applied and concrete barriers will be set to direct motorists across a paved median, leading to the new bridge. After crossing the bridge traffic will be redirected back to the existing lanes of Interstate 5. Changeable message signs will alert motorists when approaching the work zones.

Motorists are asked to reduce their speed and drive with caution when approaching the construction zone.

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